Lib. L. L. An Act for Amerciaments in the Provincial and County Courts.

No. 64.

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Be it Enacted by the Queens most excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majestys Governour Councill and Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same that all persons Whatsoever that are cast in any Cause be they Plaintiff or Defendant shall be Amerced beside the Damage and Costs in the Provincial Court fifty pounds of Tobacco to be employed as the Governour and Councill shall think fitt and in the County Courts thirty pounds of Tobacco to be employ'd and disposed of towards defraying the County Charge in such Manner as the Comissioners of each respective County shall think fitt.

And for the due Collection thereof

Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that the Clerk of the Provincial Court and the severall County Courts keep an exact Account of the Amerciaments and deliver or send the same to the severall Sheriffs of the particular Countys who are hereby required to collect the same with the levy and are accordingly impowered for default of payment to make distress and Comanded not to return any arrears except in Cases of Executors or Administrators who cannot pay without orders, and

Be it further Enacted that the Clerk of the respective Courts give unto the Chief Judge of such Court a List of the Amerciaments that Court imposed.

September 23: 1704
Read and assented to by the house of Delegates
W Taylard Clk hD.

September the 26th 1704

Read and assented to by her

Matys honble Councill

W Bladen Cl Concil.

Maryland October 3^d 1704.

On the behalf of her Majesty &c. I will this be a Law.

Jo: Seymour

p. 168 An Act confirming purchases made by the Comissioners of the respective Countys by vertue of a fformer Act of Assembly Intituled An Act impowering the Comissioners of each respective Countys to purchase Land for use of their respective Courts &c.

Whereas at a Generall Assembly held at the Port of Annapolis the twenty sixth day of May One thousand six